

REFLECTOR











THE REFLECTOR 1955...

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Class of 1955
Whiting High School
Whiting, Indiana

WHITING
HIGH SCHOOL



It's The Students Who... Make

Dedicated

To You . . . The Students

We of the 1955 REFLECTOR staff take honor in dedicating this book to you, the students of Whiting High School.

You are the average, ordinary teen-agers who make up a part of the daily life in America. You share your interests—making fun out of work and filling your leisure hours with stimulating pastimes. Sports are some of your major interests, whether you participate or cheer your team on to victory from the stands.

You're as typical teen-agers as can be found anywhere in the United States. Most of you hold down jobs to help out the family or to earn that little extra money that always comes in handy.

Cokes, malts, hot dogs and hamburgers—these are about the closest resemblances to meals that you get in your noon hour rush. Although you hate to admit it, you really enjoy school—most of the time, anyway. You make it a rule never to take an overdose of study; but you make the grade, satisfying yourself, friends and family.

Typical—that's what you are. You have all the qualities—good, bad or indifferent—that go into the making of a high school teen-ager.

This book is a lasting tribute to you and your classmates. When you have finished school and have found your place in the world, we hope you will turn back to these pages many times and relive the joys and sorrows you experienced as teen-agers at Whiting High.



Whiting High...

Things...

Our Dream Homes

Don McClelland, Bob Bercik, Don Banik, Ron Rosin, and Jerry Progar work out a plan in Mr. Norman Hall's 6th period mechanical drawing class.

Sorry! No Cartoons

Mr. Jack Taylor shows a movie to his first-year Spanish class in the well known movie room. First row: Moltke Gram, Sharon Williams; Second: Gale Beeler, Deonia Copeland, Florence Wingert, Annette Lynch; Third: David Yadron; Fourth: Doris Zencka and Annette De Carlo.

Neck Bone Connected to the Shoulder Bone

Henryetta Boswell helps Mr. Kovachic out by explaining muscles to the third period health class.

They Learn...

Future Einsteins

Mr. Leckrone explains the relationship of mercury in a vacuum to his fifth period physics class. In foreground, left to right, Mike Kinel, Dick Fehrman, Larry McClelland, Pat Kiraly, Phyllis Riehl, Bob Zondor, Carl Herakovich, and Mike Drevyanko.

Two L's in Syllable. Boys

Some of our loyal printshop boys regularly print the **TATTLER** and other announcements under the supervision of Mr. B. J. Vesely. In foreground, left to right: Ed Christiansen, Bob Gumulauski, and Tom Soucy.

Fairy Tales

As late as 1820, Daniel Webster declared that . . . Peggy Fritz reads to Mrs. Marie Lentvorsky's history class. From left to right: Bob Gumulauski, Mary Beth Pohl, Mike Mordus, Phyllis Pieters, and Phyllis Webster.

Dior's Helpers

Phyllis Bank, Catherine Lapaich, and Rita Pishkur demonstrate the right way to cut a hem in Mrs. Marion Wagner's fifth period sewing class. In the background are Virginia Palikan and Shirley Reeves.





Fibber McGee's Closet

Here we have an example of a typical Whiting High locker belonging to one Bootsie Haviley. Left to right: Evonne Read, Frances Kujawa, Eleanor Szerbowski, June Westerfield, Ron Hussey, Walt Campbell, Catherine Lapaich.

Things . . .



Victory Made It a Success

After winning the Homecoming Game, we really enjoyed the Homecoming Dance, both students and alumni participating.

Preparing For the Main Event

Property crew takes care of the furniture, props, pictures, etc. for all school plays and operettas. Left to right: Joe Korbell, Ron Gajdos, and Bob Headley. Top: Carl Jenkins.

Gumulauski's Taxi, Inc.

Juniors Georgene Patacky, Wayne Barnes and Wayne Baran, standing, bid farewell to seniors Bernard Mashura, Mary Greer and Don McClelland in Bob Gumulauski's car.

... They Do







Pictured at left—Homecoming Queen, Mary Hawley

Pictured above—Attendants, Betty Kristek, Gale Beeler, Carolyn Mowell and Lorraine Zuback

... Honors They Accept ...

THE BORDEN COMPANY
402 Clinton Street, Hammond

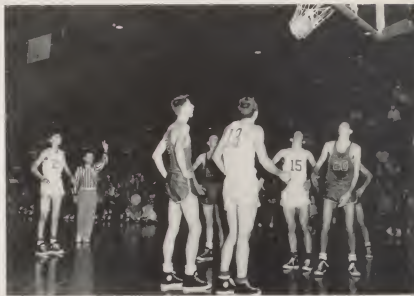
BILL BERCIK'S SERVICE STATION
Corner 119th and Indianapolis Blvd.

... Victories They Take ...



Rocky and Sharp lead the way for ball-carrying Ed Fritz, who scored both touchdowns in the championship game.

One more point and victory was gained. As fans wait in tense anticipation, Ray Strabavy throws the first of two free shots that made Whiting victors over Clark in the second overtime of the Clark-Whiting game.



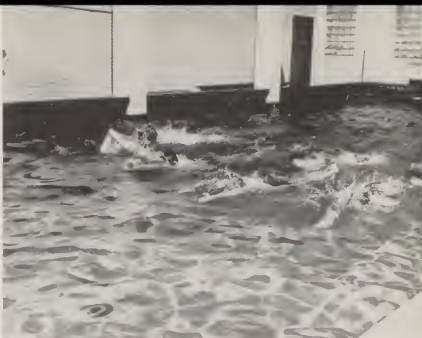
On your mark . . . Get set . . . Go
Seniors Eugene Stevens and Jake Sell, on the starting line, get in some practice for the coming meet.

We believe that we, too, have contributed to your education.

HOOSIER THEATRE

Here Come the Aquamen.

Some of the swimming team streak across the pool in a race against time.



Up and Over, Mike.

Senior Mike Kinel clears the pole practicing the high jump.



Over the Fence, Rocky.

Carl Herakovich stands waiting for the ball at the plate in a practice game. Ray Strabavy, junior, is the catcher.



ORR'S TELEVISION
1442 - 119th Street

WHITING SURPLUS STORE
1444 - 119th Street



Reflecting Over Past Years.

Left to right—Donna Wehrle, Joe Jurek, Pat Pustek, Irene Jelliga, Julius Panik, Louise Griffin, and Larry Umfleet look over the past four years of school in REFLECTORS from years gone by.

Looking to the Future.

Milan Matuska, Mary Ann Bednar, and Ted Chandik plan for the future by examining scholarships offered by different colleges and universities.

Ready . . . Aim . . . Fire . . .

Seniors Louis Lee, Bob Bercik, Carl Herakovich, Don Hough, and Ron Rosin enjoy the snow by throwing snowballs at our photographer.

'Twas a Mighty Cold Winter

Pat Kiraly, Kay Lawton, Evelyn Micokey, and Martha Machaj exhibit a new fad at Whiting High—knee-length socks. Favorite colors—red, pink, and white.

SPICCIA'S RESTAURANT
2143 Calumet Avenue

EMIL J. PALENIK, Certified Gemologist
222 119th Street

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All important decisions concerning the seniors were made at the class meetings, presided over by Richard Plawewski, senior president.

Mr. C. E. Riehl, class adviser, was always present at the meetings to offer suggestions and assistance in the various activities conducted.

... They Take Their Memories ...



RIFFER'S MEN'S WEAR
1401 119th Street



NEAL PRICE'S
Records, Home and Auto Supplies





From left to right: Michele Lynch, vice-president; Richard Plawewski, president; Janice Grayson, secretary; Jack Jaros, treasurer.

Headlines of '55 Class

It's hard to believe that four years can pass so quickly. We find ourselves graduating seniors, when it seems such a short time ago we were eager, care-free freshmen.

As the class of 1955, we entered Whiting High with the intention of making our class one of the best in the history of the school.

To help us attain this goal, we had the friendly guidance of Mr. C. E. Riehl, our class sponsor.

Class elections played an important role in our high school career. Our presidents were Mary Therese McNamara, freshman year; Mary Greer, sophomore; Nick Plesha, junior; and Richard Plawewski, senior.

Vice-presidents were Gerard Zelenke, freshman; Kay Lawton, sophomore; Michele Lynch, junior and senior.

Taking notes at our meetings and keeping the records straight were our secretaries—freshman, Michael Kinel, sophomore, Mary Ann Bednar, junior and senior, Janice Grayson.

Keeping track of the finances was by no means an easy task, but it was always well done, due to the fine work of our treasurers, Jack Jaros, freshman; Tom Doran, sophomore; Carolyn Mowell, junior; and Jack Jaros, senior.

Freshman year saw us eager to display our talent as we presented our freshman assembly. We also staged a magazine drive, which netted us close to \$90.

With a year's knowledge and experience under our belt, we advanced a rung up the ladder of learning.

Because of the success of our freshman assembly, we presented a similar program as sophomores.

Soon after our memorable journey to Washington, D. C., in our junior year, prom season rolled around. We never seemed to have enough time for the work that had to be done on the decorations. Many worked in the evenings to be sure everything would be ready when the Big Night arrived. No expense was spared in transforming the Girls' gym into a South American paradise.

Our senior year was destined to be one that would make the class of 1955 stand head-and-shoulders above all others.

Our football team started the season much the same as any other year. But then they threw open the throttle and roared over all opposition to become NIHSC and mythical state champions.

We enjoyed a feast fit for kings at the Junior-Senior party. Entertainment was provided by class members.

On Bums' Day we all let down our hair and let off some steam by staging our last and wildest assembly. In the afternoon we regained our senses and once again retired to our favorite pastime—eating—at our annual picnic.

These are just a few of the memories we will carry with us when we leave Whiting High. We will also remember the lessons taught us by our mistakes.

But we have achieved the goal we set for ourselves four years ago—to make our class one of the best in the history of Whiting High!

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1450 - 119th Street

They Made '55 Memorable



Mary Ann Ambrozio

Blondie
Hair like the sun,
Once you've seen her
Your heart is won.
Girls', Booster, Biology, G.A.C.



Donald Banik

Don
A very nice boy
We all admit;
Lots of fun,
He made a hit
Football, Track, Bowling



George Baran

Georgeie
Quiet and friendly
Is George Baran;
Whenever you see him
A smile he's wearin'.



Mary Ann Bednar

Mares
Her average soars to 123,
The bowler we mean
Is M. A. B.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Class
Officer 1, 2, Girls', Junior
R.N.'s, Booster, Jr Red Cross
Library, G.A.C., Camera, 2
Scholarship W's, National
Honor Society.



Robert Bercik

Bob
This handsome lad
The girls do plague;
At the gas station
He'll build his trade.
Football, W, Melodeers, Latin,
Biology, Patrol.



Geraldine Bodnar

Gerry
Fantastic tales
She can tell,
Yet everyone
Thinks that she is swell
Thespians, Girls', Booster, Lat-
in, Biology, G.A.C., Library,
Speech, Monitors, 1 all-school
play.



Henryetta Boswell

Hank
The secret of her success
is her constancy of purpose.
TATTLER, Band, Girls', Latin,
Biology, G.A.C., D.A.R. Award,
3 Scholarship W's, National
Honor Society.



Gerald Brindley

Red
The wit we'd be lost wit-out.
Melodeers, Booster, Biology
Bowling, 1 operetta.



Walter Campbell

Wally
They're making him all over
in the Navy.
Football, Baseball, Melodeers,
Thespians, Booster 4 all-
school plays, Lorain High 1, 2.



Nancy Carroll

Nano
She is nearly always
laughing;
in fact, she's full of fun
REFLECTOR, Thespians, Girls'
Booster, Spanish, Biology, Li-
brary, 2 all-school plays,
G.A.C. 2 Scholarship W's.

They Attended Festivities

Theodore Chandik

Ted
Always ready to do his part
and then some.
TATTLER, Thespians, Student
Council, Booster, Latin, Biol-
ogy, 2 all-school plays, Na-
tional Honor Society.

Paul Michael Dreesen

Paul
A mechanical whiz
Is our boy Dreesen;
His '54 Ford
He's always greasin'.
Chickamauga High School 1,
Jr. Red Cross Council

Leroy Dudzik

Duds
It is the quiet worker
who succeeds.

Gail Etheridge

Not much talk,
but one great sweet silence.
Orchestra, Melodeers, Girls',
Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Biology,
G.A.C.

Edward Fritz

Yadik
Eddie was named
All-State back
Because of his drive
And fierce attack.
Football, Basketball, Baseball
Athletic Board, W, Spanish.

Thomas Doran

Flip
A little nonsense
Here and there
Makes Tom welcome
Everywhere.
Swimming, Melodeers, Class
Officer 2, Booster, Latin, Biol-
ogy.

Michael Drevyanko

Woody
He had lots of hair,
And it took lots of nerve
To have it cut off
For the Naval Reserve.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Melo-
deers, Latin, Biology.

Jack Earlywine

Jackie
Never trouble trouble
until trouble troubles you.
Melodeers, 3 all-school plays,
1 operetta.

Richard Fehrman

Dick
His form of humor may be dry
but it is form.
Cross Country, Football, Bas-
ketball, Baseball, Student
Council, Booster, Latin, Biol-
ogy, 1 Scholarship W

Sylvia Gabor

Syl
She's small
but a stick of dynamite.
Orchestra, Thespians, Girls'
Booster, Spanish, Biology, Li-
brary, 1 all-school play
G.A.C.



WINSBERG'S

"The Store for Young Men"

They Earned Letters

Florence Gajewski

Flossie
Life is too short;
Why spend it in school?
Orchestra, Melodeers, Girls',
Booster, Biology.

Janice Grayson

Moose
Jerry Lewis has nothing on
her;
She's just a natural.
B-squad cheerleader, Orches-
tra, Thespians, Class Officer
3, 4, Girls', Junior R.N.'s,
Booster, Spanish, Biology,
Monitor, 2 all-school plays, 1
operetta.

Mary Greer

Mars
Oh, for John's sake.
B-squad cheerleader, REFLEC-
TOR, Orchestra, Thespians,
Class Officer 2, Girls', Junior
R.N.'s, Booster, Latin, Palette,
Biology, Library, Monitor, 3
all-school plays, G.A.C.

Kathryn Grecnik

Kay
She, too,
has not too much to say.
TATTLE, REFLECTOR, Melo-
deers, Girls', Junior R.N.'s,
Booster, Latin, Biology, Moni-
tor, 1 all-school play, G.A.C.,
1 Scholarship W, National
Honor Society.

Louise Griffin

Lou
Big things come
in little packages.
Band, Majorette, Girls',
Booster, G.A.C.

Jerry Grubaugh

Jer
Something new
has been added.
Sullivan High School, Indiana,
3 years, National Honor So-
ciety.

Mary Haviley

Bootsie
As our homecoming queen,
Bootsie did shine.
When there's work to be done,
She's always first in line.
Girls', Booster, Biology, Li-
brary, G.A.C.

Carl Herakovich

Rocky
His eyes spell mischief,
His smile says, "Hi";
That's our Carl.
One swell guy.
Football, Basketball, Baseball,
W, Melodeers, Spanish, Bi-
ology.

Donald Hough

Hoops
On the grid he won his fame;
With his heart,
He played the game.
Football, W, Jr. Red Cross,
Biology.

Ronald Hussey

Huss
A harmless, little, innocent
man?
Melodeers, Booster, Spanish,
Biology, Bowling.

They Showed Talent

Judith Jancosek

Judy
Where there's smoke,
there's fire.
REFLECTOR, Varsity Cheer-
leader, Orchestra, Thespians,
Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster,
Latin, Biology, Monitor, 2 all-
school plays, G.A.C.

Irene Jelliga

Renee
Quiet, shy, and gentle is she;
A truer friend there couldn't
be.
Girls', Booster, Biology, Li-
brary, G.A.C.

Raymond Kenda

Roach
Please don't disturb
my slumber.
Track, Booster, Biology.

Patricia Kiraly

Pat
Sweet and friendly,
Nice and neat.
Knowing Pat is quite a treat.
Melodeers, Thespians, Student
Council, Girls', Junior R.N.'s,
Booster, Latin, Palette, Biolo-
gy, Library, Speech, 3 all-
school plays, G.A.C., National
Honor Society.

Edward Ladendorf

Persian Mouse
For fingers of speed
There is always need.
Track, Swimming, Booster, Bi-
ology, Hammond Technical 1

John Jaros

Jack
One all-around swell guy.
Cross Country, Basketball,
Track, Manager, W. Varsity
Cheerleader, Band, Orchestra,
Melodeers, Class Officer 1, 4,
Booster, Spanish, Biology.

Joseph Jurek

Jersey Joe
Beware!
I may yet do something
sensational.
Patrol.

Michael Kinel

Mike
Oh, how I love to prove
I'm right.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Cross
Country, Basketball, Track,
Swimming, Palette, Melodeers,
Thespians, Student Council,
Class Officer 1, Latin, Biology,
Speech, 3 Operettas, 2 Schol-
arship W's, National Honor
Society

James Kujawa

Krunchie
Not that I love studies less,
but that I love fun more.
Manager, W. Booster, Biology,
Monitor, Bowling.

Catherine Lapaich

Cathy
Neat and sweet.
That's Cathy who
Couldn't be beat.
Melodeers, Girls', Booster, Bi-
ology, Library.



They Were Boosters

Katherine Lawton

Kay
Pretty to walk with,
witty to talk with.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Band,
Orchestra, Melodeers, Student
Council, Class Officer 2, Girls',
Booster, Spanish, Biology,
Monitor, 2 all-school plays,
G.A.C., 1 operetta.

Darrel Lewis Lee

Louie
I know a lot,
But I can't think of it.
Football, Basketball, Baseball,
Spanish.

Michele Lynch

Mickey
When you have friends,
you have to be one.
Melodeers, Thespians, National
Honor Society, Student
Council, Class Officer 3, 4,
Girls', Booster, Spanish, Pal-
ette, Biology, Speech, 1 all-
school play, G.A.C., 3 Schol-
arship W's.

Martha Machaj

Mart
Swish! There she is,
and there she goes.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Melodeers,
Thespians, Girls', Junior
R.N.'s, Booster, Biology, Li-
brary, 2 all-school plays,
G.A.C., 3 Scholarship W's, National
Honor Society

Ruth Ann Macko

Ruthie
A red-headed question box
Girls', Junior Red Cross, Span-
ish, Palette, Biology, Monitor,
G.A.C., 2 Scholarship W's,
Paden City High School, Pa.,
2, National Honor Society.

Milo Marvel

Blue Tooth
"Watch out, Satan, for I'll
run you down."
W. Melodeers, Booster, Biolo-
gy, 3 all-school plays, Cross
Country, Football, Basketball

Bernard Mashura

Bernie
There was a man
So very meek
Even his shoes
Refused to squeak
Booster, Patrol, Basketball

Milan Matuska

Mil
Tops in everything.
Thespians, Student Council,
Boys' State, Booster, Latin,
Biology, Cross Country, Track
3 Scholarship W's, National
Honor Society.

Donald McClelland

Don
Make like a duck.
W. Booster, Latin, Palette, Bi-
ology, Cross Country, Track,
Swimming.

Lawrence McClelland

Larry
I came, I saw, and now I'm
leaving
W. Spanish, Biology, Cross
Country, Football Track,
Swimming.

They Were Leaders

Mary Therese McNamara

Tess
When there's work to be done, she always says yes.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Athletic Board, Thespians, Class Officer 1, Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Spanish, Biology, Library, Speech, Monitor, 1 all-school play, 1 operetta, G.A.C., 3 Scholarship W's, National Honor Society.

Dorothy Memet

Dotty
A good friend, a good pal, and a good sport.
B-cheerleader, Band, Orchestra, Melodeers, Thespians, Girls', Booster, Latin, Biology, Monitors, 4 operettas, G.A.C., 1 all-school play.

Carolyn Mowell

Louie
Lovely to look at and exciting to know.
REFLECTOR, TATTLER, Orchestra, Thespians, Class Officer 3, Girls', Booster, Spanish, Latin, Biology, Library, Speech, Monitor, 3 all-school plays, G.A.C., 3 Scholarship W's, National Honor Society.

Marianne Murga

Mimi
Heaven can wait.
Melodeers, Thespians, Girls', Booster, Jr. Red Cross, Biology, Library, 2 all-school plays, 1 operetta, G.A.C.

Patricia Novosel

Pat
Not very tall
Not very small,
But fair and sweet
And liked by all.
Melodeers, Thespians, Girls', Booster, Biology, Library, G.A.C., 3 operettas.

Edith Mehok

Edie
Once you've seen her, You'll agree
Cute describes her to a "T".
Melodeers, Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Biology, Monitor.

Evelyn Micoley

Ev
A girl who believes in enjoying herself.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Melodeers, Thespians, Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Biology, Library, Monitors, 3 all-school plays, G.A.C.

Melvin Mrzlock

Mel
Escape at last.
W, Student Council, Latin, Cross Country, Football, Basketball, Baseball.

Shirley Noble

Shill
She's pretty in two ways—pretty nice and pretty apt to stay that way.
Thespians, Girls', Booster, 2 all-school plays, George Rogers Clark 1.

Anna Mae Oreskovich

Anchie
Myrth, promised by dimples, fulfilled by a charming smile.
Orchestra, Melodeers, Girls', Booster, Latin, Palette, Monitor, G.A.C.





Best wish to George

They Made Friends

to J. Panik

George Ostrowski
Ostra
In managing
George did well
On top of this
He's just a cin swell
Track, Manager, W Melodeers, Spanish, Model Airplane

Julius Panik

Nigger
He liked to swim with vigor and vim;
It's the studying in school that bothered him.
Swimming, W, Biology, Bowling.



Elaine Piasecki

Elaine
A loyal booster is Elaine,
She helped paint signs for every game.
Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Biology, Library, G.A.C.

Margaret Pieters

Margie
"Who's going to set the world on fire?"
REFLECTOR, Orchestra, Thespians, Girls', Booster, Spanish, Biology, Library, 2 all-school plays, G.A.C.



Richard Plawewski

Dick
As our last Prexy,
He ruled with grace.
No one else could take his place.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR, Football, Thespians, Class Officer 4, Booster, Spanish, Biology, 1 all-school play, 3 Scholarship W's, National Honor Society.

Nicholas Plesha

Nifty Nick
His ancestors must have been Greek gods.
Football, Basketball, Track, Athletic Board, W, Melodeers, Class Officer 3, Booster, Spanish.



Jerome Progar

Frog
Frog is really one swell guy.
When you know him,
You'll see why.
Football, Basketball, Baseball, W, Biology

Alvina Pustek

Al
There is mischief in her eyes
Melodeers, Girls' Booster, Latin, Biology, G.A.C.



Patricia Pustek

Butch
Rain or shine,
she's friendly and gay;
In cheering ability
She rates an "A".
Varsity Cheerleader, Thespians, Girls', Booster, Latin, Biology, Monitor, 1 operetta.

Evonne Read

Bonnie
Another Florence Nightingale
Melodeers, Girls', Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Latin, Biology, G.A.C.

They Were Champions

Phyllis Riehl

Phil
It's nice to be natural when
one's naturally nice.
Melodeers, Girls', Junior R.N.'s
Booster, Latin, Palette, Biolo-
gy, Speech, G.A.C., 3 oper-
ettas, National Honor Society

Ronald Rosin

Rodney
On the football field
He showed his grit
And has a golden football
to show for it.
Football, Basketball, Baseball,
W, Melodeers, Spanish, Biol-
ogy.

Leroy Satterlee

Sam
Men of few words
are the best of men.
Football, Basketball, Track,
Baseball, Melodeers, Moose-
heart High School 1, 2, 1
Scholarship W, National Honor
Society.

Harold Smith

Smell
Stop, in the name of the
patrol boys!
Swimming, Student Council,
Biology, Patrol.

Eugene Stephens

Gene
Basketball has brought him
fame;
We'll always remember his
name.
Cross Country, Basketball
Track, W, Student Council.

Selma Roman

Sasmo
Excitement is thrilling,
Tell SaSa and she is willing
Melodeers, Girls', Booster, Jr.
Red Cross, Spanish, Biology,
Library, G.A.C.

Beverly Santay

Bev
Everybody who knows her
likes her and everybody
knows her.
Melodeers, Girls', Booster, Bi-
ology, Library, Speech, 3
operettas.

Burnell Sell

Jake
Fishy, fishy, in the pool.
Your cousin Jake swims
for our school.
Football, Track, Swimming, W,
Melodeers, Booster, Palette,
Biology.

Jean Stefek

Jeanie
For she is just the quiet kind
whose nature never varies.
TATTLER, Band, Orchestra,
Girls', Booster, Jr. Red Cross
Council, Biology, G.A.C., 1
Scholarship W, National Honor
Society.

Eleanor Szerbowski

El
You may have trouble
spelling her name,
But her personality will
bring her fame.
B-squad Cheerleader, Girls',
Junior R.N.'s, Booster, Biology,
G.A.C.



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But they hated to leave



Patricia Szymanski

Pat
A cute shape
and beguiling smile.
Nice to know, always in style
Girls', Spanish, Biology, Moni-
tor, G.A.C., Booster.



Kathleen Terneny

Kathy
She's the kind whose nature
never varies
Girls' Biology, G.A.C.



Mary Ann Torzewski

Shorty
Small in stature
But big in heart,
As a sweet little girl
She fills the part.
Thespians, Girls', Booster, Jr.
Red Cross Council, Biology,
G.A.C., 1 all-school play, 1
operetta



Larry Umfleet

Stompyumper
Collecting tickets
And sweeping floor.
Were only two of
His Hoosier chores.



Ronald Wallen

Ron
Well, that's about all I have
to say.
Cross Country



Patricia Warzyniak

Chico
Something nice
to come home to
REFLECTOR, Varsity Cheer-
leader, Thespians, Girls'
Booster, Biology, 1 all-school
play, G.A.C.



Janice Williams

Jan
An active miss in every way.
She helps to brighten up
our day.
TATTLER, REFLECTOR Or-
chestra, Thespians, Student
Council, Girls', Booster, Span-
ish, Biology, Library, 6 all-
school plays, G.A.C.



Carol Yusko

Carol
The blush is beautiful
But is sometimes inconvenient
Melodeers, Advanced Chorus
Girls', Booster, Biology
Speech, 3 operettas



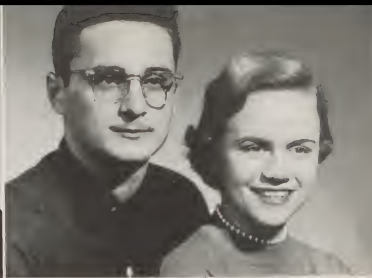
Gerard Zelenke

Gerry
His aims are the highest.
TATTLER, Swimming Student
Council, Scholarship W Latin
Model Airplane.



Robert Zondor

Rob
Frankly, I'm baffled!
Cross Country, Baseball
Red Cross Council, Biology



Upper left—When it called for talent we could always count on Martha Machor and Mike Kinel

Upper right—If there's food that's where you'll find Janice Williams and Bob Bercik, voted for biggest appetite.

Middle—Always a smile with their hello—that's why Tess McNamara and Richard Plawcki took the honors for personality.

Bottom left—Because of shortness and height, our Mutt and Jeff are Louise Griffin and Dick Fehrman.

Bottom right—Neat and trim were Carolyn Mowell and George Baran's motto for best appearance



Ideal Seniors

Upper—Their shining blue eyes have brought love to Nancy Carroll and Carl Herakovich for the nicest eyes.

Middle—Give them a jitterbug, tango, or waltz and Judy Jancosek and Jack Jaros will do the rest.

Bottom right—If we wanted Red Buttons, we called on Janice Grayson; if you wanted laughter we had that, too, Jerry Brindley. They were the wittiest in our class.

Bottom left—In athletics we have stars, Mary Haviley and Lewis Lee.





Mr. R. C. Riehl, sponsor.

It seems but yesterday that you, the graduates of 1955, invaded the hallowed halls of Whiting High. You were a cosmopolitan, starry-eyed group, determined to leave your imprint, one way or another.

From the happy day I became your "sponsor," I have worked with you, sparred with you, rejoiced with you as you tackled one project after another. You have definitely made your mark in your outstanding achievements in various school activities.

Your class history details specific accomplishments, but there are several which occupy a special place in my memory. Our picnics in Forsythe Park, our assembly programs, where many hitherto hidden talents were uncovered, the Junior-Senior Prom by the prom committees, planning, carpentering, and decorating for "Black Magic," were enjoyable though exhausting at times. The Junior-Senior pot-luck and dance "Fantasy in Snow," was most enjoyable. My thanks to the senior girls and boys whose efforts made it a success. It made the last class social function a grand finale.

The members of this class may well be proud of the records you have made in music, drama, art, the purely academic subjects, and athletics. Your Class Night Program and Bum's Day were full of fun and frolic. Commencement Night terminated your lease on Whiting High.

You are now graduates. My sincerest congratulations are extended to the Class of '55. Best wishes for success in whatever you undertake is my final message to you.

May I suggest a motto from Shakespeare:

"This above all: to thine own self be true,
And it must follow, as the night the day,
Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Compliments of
SILTANEN JEWELER

CATHCART'S DAIRY QUEEN
1441 Indianapolis Blvd.



Valedictorian for the class of '55 Henryetta Boswell



Milan Matuska captured second highest honors for salutatorian.

The highest honors a high school student can receive are those of being valedictorian or salutatorian of his class.

A four-year average is taken of each graduating student's scholastic work. The one with the highest average is named valedictorian, and the second highest average carries with it the salutatorian honor.

Henryetta Boswell earned the valedictory crown this year with an average of 96.18 per cent.

Milan Matuska was close behind her with his 96.00 average, giving him the salutatorian honor.

Both students were officers of the

Whiting National Honor Society. Milan served as president and Henryetta as social co-chairman.

The scholastic accomplishments of these students did not stop with the above honors. Henryetta was selected for the Whiting High D.A.R. award, based on dependability, service, leadership and patriotism.

Milan represented Whiting High at the Hoosier Boys' State convention held in Indianapolis. In this program, boys from Indiana high schools spend a week learning the intricacies of the state government. They put what they learned into practice by participating in elections and campaigning for simulated offices.



Sometimes too much emphasis is placed on the importance and activities of the seniors. One should stop and remember that the underclassmen are important and play a major role in high school life throughout the year.

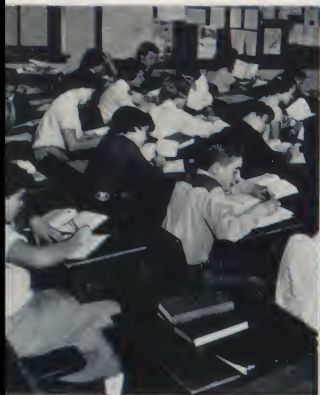
They belong to clubs, sponsor dances, and hold their own when it comes to participating in the various athletic events.

The freshmen added to their treasury by staging a successful magazine drive this year. A variety-type assembly, presented by the sophomore class, displayed some of the talent possessed by Whiting High students.

The juniors had one of the biggest jobs of all—planning and preparing the Junior-Senior Prom.

These ambitious projects certainly show that the underclassmen didn't take a back seat to the seniors during the whole year of 1954-55.

... They Seek the Future ...



SEMANCIK COAL COMPANY
Phone - Whiting 42

J. C. PENNY
Hammond, Indiana



Class of...

1st row—Gordon Aird, Richard Allaway, Gerald Atterberry, Patricia Banik, Wayne Baran, Wayne Barnes.

2nd row—Anna Mae Bednar, Ted Bendis, Georgette Berwanger, Judy Boskovich, Edward Christensen, Patricia Chromik.

3rd row—John Ciesar, Tom Coil, Janet Comstock, Delores Coppage, Gregor Doman, Joe Domsich.

4th row—Kay Duffalo, Bill Dunlap, Donna Fennell, Peter Fetsis, William Forton, Judy Fortner.

5th row—Barbara Fritz, Peggy Fritz, William Funk, Ronald Gajdos, Walter Gaskey, Mary Gerner.

6th row—John Gerd, Joanne Gerd, Mollie Gram, Mary Ann Grdina, Phil Grenchik, Gregory Grothouse.

7th row—Donna Grubach, Bob Gumulowski, Theresa Hamadej, Joan Harding, Karen Hassel, Michael Haviley.

8th row—Richard Headley, Darrell Hunt, Bob Jancich, Carl Jenkins, Jim Kamradt, Anthony Kapitan.

9th row—Joe Kapitan, Albert Klym, Roland Koch, Joe Korbell, Bob Kovach, Betty Kristek.

SANDRICK'S HARDWARE
1720 Indianapolis Blvd.

SCHLATER FUNERAL HOME

..... 1956

1st row—Irene Kristoff, John Kubeck, Frances Kujawa, Ray Kurcinka, Tanya Leansky, Pauline Lukacek



2nd row—Alice Marlowe, Anita Martich, Michael Mazur, Mike Mordus, Nora Moynihan, John Murga.



3rd row—Bob Murzyn, Sandra Panik, Georgine Pataky, Martha Payton, Barbara Perunko, Phyllis Pieters.



4th row—Victor Pivovarnik, Eugene Plesha, Mary Beth Pohl, Mary Portman, Anne Mae Potocsky, Joan Query.



5th row—Shirley Reeves, Don Reneer, Melvin Riggs, Bert Roe, Don Ruman, Lenore Sabinske.



6th row—Sue Sanders, David Sharp, Monica Shebish, Michael Shorr, Joe Smith, Joan Solyom.



7th row—Ron Stephenson, Ray Strabavy, Mary Ann Trieber, Richard Turner, William Turner, Barbara Vacendak.



8th row—Leona Walczak, Roxanne Wallen, Richard Walters, Bruce Wargo, John Wasilak, Phyllis Webster.



9th row—Connie Wingert, Barbara Young, Tom Zienc, Martha Ziara, Ray Zubeck, John Zuklin.



GOLD'S SERVICE STATION
121st and Indianapolis Blvd.

SHERMAN'S INDIANA SUPPLY
"A good place to buy for over 35 years"



The between class stroll . . .

Top left—Barbara Perunka, Gene Plesha, Marjorie Shebish, Tom Zajac.

Junior Class officers . . .

Bottom left—Irene Kristall, secretary, Donna Fennell treasurer, Mike Haviley, vice-president, and Janet Comstock, president

The lull before the doom . . .

Top right—Mrs. Hazel Quinn, Don Ruman, Frances Kujawa, Donna Fennell, Janet Comstock.

You don't say?????

Bottom right—Mary Beth Pohl, Donna Grubach, Kay Duffallo, Nora Moynihan.

GOLUB'S SUPER IGA MARKET
1538 - 119th Street

AYRES MODERN SHOE REPAIR
1919 New York Avenue



These are the times . . .

Top left—John Wasilak, Roxanna Wallen, Richard Turner, Martha Ziara.

8:08 Patrol . . .

Bottom left—Mike Shorr, Peggy Fritz, Barbara Young, Ed Christiansen, Phyllis Pieters, David Sharp.

Straight!

Top right—John Cieslar, Mike Haviley, Joe Kapitaniak, Ray Strabavy.

Let's hear it now . . .

Bottom right—Gregor Doman, Georgine Pataky, Judy Boskovich, Darrell Hunt.

GANSINGER JEWELERS
Whiting's Most Preferred Jeweler"

Class of.....



1st row—Bridget Alexovic, Edward Bailey, Marlene Bachurek, Mary Lou Ball, Phyllis Banik.



2nd row—Loyd Bechtold, Nancy Bernard, Ron Blasko, Joyce Bond, Jean Borgetti.



3rd row—Earnest Bright, Peggy Brown, Connie Burke, Carol Burman, Mildred Carter.



4th row—Joyce Chandik, Robert Christensen, Edwin Chromcik, Charles Coll, Carolyn Collins.



5th row—Carolyn Coppage, Donna Coppage, Dolores Dado, John Doran, Gail Duncan.



6th row—Kenneth Fallin, Jerry Ford, Garnet Geary, Ollie Gajewski, Shirley Gardner.



7th row—Barbara Ginther, David Goodwine, Richard Grant, Robert Headley, Jack Hudson.



8th row—Martin Jamrose, Bernadette Jancosek, Carol Jaroscak, Lillian Jelliga, Ginger Johnson.



9th row—Dolores Jurek, Mary Lou Kammer, June Keith, Ted Kotyuk, Gail Kozacik.

ROY OSBORNE, GENERAL CONTRACTOR
1745 Calumet Avenue

..... 1957

1st row—Carl Kristoff, Patricia Kugel, Richard Kutcka, Paul Kuykenhoff, Barbara Latra, Tom Ledbetter

2nd row—Paul Linko, James Macey, John Macko, Mary Ann Magyar, John Mutisko, Rita Mazur

3rd row—John McManara, Martha Mercer, Don Mitchell, Albert Molnar, Marie Moore, John Murad.

4th row—Helen Narantic, Jo Ellen Nicolson, Caroline Oprisko, Virginia Paliken, Patricia Palmer, Leona Pavlikaski

5th row—Bernard Perment, Rita Pishkur, Joe Portman, David Reifenberg, Richard Ruffer

6th row—Diane Rusnack, Dan Santay, Carol Satterlee, Richard Schultze, Carol Sharp, Margaret Smith.

7th row—Dolores Sorrels, Tom Soucy, Joyce Stiga, David Suto, Joan Szlanda, Marianne Tegosik.

8th row—Phil Thompson, Patricia Treiber, Donald Turich, Nick Vischak, Phyllis Wajvoda, Bob Wandell

9th row—Jerry Ward, Mary Ward, Roger Wargo, Mary Wroten, James Yager, Lorraine Zubeck



ROBY CAFE - "Where Food Is Good"
802 Indianapolis Blvd.

Class of.....



1st row—Arlene Abner, Michael Adzina,
Barbara Anderson, Margaret Arnold, Otha
Barton, Gale Beeler



2nd row—Frances Bernard, Dennis
Blazewick, Richard Bonczyk, Mildred
Brown, Donald Bubala, Clyde Buckmaster



3rd row—Gerald Burke, Mary Calla, Doris
Carter, Gill Clesar, Helen Collier, Deonora
Copeland



4th row—Annette DeCarlo, Susanne
Doman, Judy Dvorshak, Don Elledge,
Denver Ferry, Pat Gallivan



5th row—Constance Gelfert, Leroy Gir-
man, Carolyn Grubaugh, Virginia Gyure,
Charlotte Hall, John Hart



6th row—Richard Harting, Frank Har-
rison, Mary Hayes, Nancy Hill, William
Hurt, Daniel Jacobs



7th row—Diane Jamrose, Janet Johnson,
Mary Anne Jurbala, Tom Justak, Judy
Kamradt, Lawrence Kenda



8th row—Michael Klym, Irene Kobe,
Ronald Koch, John Krivacic, Katheline
Kroslock, Tom Kujawa



9th row—Steve Linko, Milton Litaver,
Patsy Louis, Joe Lovasko, Marion Lunde,
Annette Lynch

JOHN WARGO INSURANCE
1438 - 119th Street

..... 1958

1st row—Donald Marcher, Clifford Morden, Bill Marlowe, Marjean Maxwell, Marion Mayernik, Joyce Mowell

2nd row—Eloine Mudoy, Diane Mrzlock, Mary Payton, Henry Plawecki, Dennis Plesha, John Pohl

3rd row—Roberta Progar, Frank Pustek, Gayle Pustek, Carolyn Thornton, Joan Tolley, Robert Turich

4th row—Jerry Reeves, Arnold Reneer, Donald Richardson, Milton Rigg, Janice Roe, Nancy Rosdil

5th row—June Rowe, Karen Sabo, Normo Ratterlee, Leonard Scher, Jack Scott, Jack Simms

6th row—Diane Skundrich, Catheline Smith, Elaine Smoltz, Margaret Smriga, May Carole Sorrells, Pat Sullivan

7th row—Judy Walsko, Marilyn Wandell, Wayne Westfield, Sharon Williams, Ronald Wilson, Florence Wingert

8th row—Rudolph Wunder, David Yadron, Evelyn Yasvec, Anita Young, Dorothy Zenka



VOGEL'S - "Home of Good Food"
1250 Indianapolis Blvd.



Practice, Girls! The Charleston May Come Back

Top left—Pat Palmer, Bridget Alexovic, Jerry Ford, Dick Grant.

Jr. Journalists . . .

Bottom left—Peggy Fritz, Barbara Young, Marlene Bachurek, Carolyn Collins, Carol Burman, Richard Walters.

2nd row—Gail Duncan, Mary Ann Magyar, Martha Mercer, Mary Lou Kammer, Irene Kristoff, Moltke Gram.

3rd row—Phyllis Webster, Pat Banik, Bill Fortin, Anita Martich, Mike Haviley.

Watch it—there's a drought!

Top right—Geil Kozack, Dan Santay, Carol B. Miller, Carl Kristoff.

Brrrrr . . . It's cold.

Bottom right—Jim Macey, Bernadette Jrsaberek, Marlene Bachurek, Jim Yager, Roger Wargo.

CENTRAL DRUG STORE
New York Avenue and 119th Street

What A Collection!!

Freshman vice-president, Pat Gallivan, treasurer, Joan Krywicki, secretary, Marjean Maxwell, and president, Jack Sims admire the Oil Can trophy obtained from Roosevelt on winning a football game, October 22.



Pre-Cub Reporters

Joyce Mowell, Arnold Reneer, Marjean Maxwell, Jack Scott, and Gale Beeler are pictured writing stories for an edition of the freshman paper edited several times a year.



Open Wide

Under Mr. Bernard Qubeck's supervision, this group from his freshman chorus presented a humorous skit entitled "Shakespeare Was No Slouch." It was given to increase interest in Open House.



Seventh Grade



Upper picture—1st row—Sara Beth Herman, Pat Kri-
vacic, Charlotte Hatzel, Loralee Pohl, Gloria Levin,
Joyce Dado, Pat Hansen, Nancy Lubshina; 2nd row—
Martha McDonald, Shelby Kelly, Kay Atterberry, Donna
Beisal, Mildred Headly, Helen Carter; 3rd row—June
Carmen, Shelby Rogers, Loretta Barnes, Pat McCarthy,
Rochell Boyd, Lavonne Stavitzke, Janice Sorrels; 4th
row—Kathy Elder, Betty Ledbetter, Sharon Kovachic,
Dora Mowell, Nancy Fritz, Bonnie Sorrels, Edna Finley;
5th row—Jannette Satterlee, Joan Musgrave, Sharon
Widow; 6th row—Jim Winkerson, Louis Jameson, Jeffery
Markeson, Allonsa Renda, Carolyn Vanderlyn, Carol
Stice, Kathleen Petrak

Bottom picture—1st row—Bob Wilson, Ray Thornton,
Ben Likens, Ed McKinley, Tom Hurt, Dave Williams,
Charles Smith, Charles Oliver; 2nd row—Tom Carter,
Don Brown, Bill Smith, Dave Roman; 3rd row—Ralph
Goodwine, Dennis Stenken, Kenneth Davenport, Dave
Geary; 4th row—Bob Marlowe, Ed Richardson, Tom
Blackburn, George Burman, Don Bailey, Keith Heavrin;
5th row—John Gajewski, Ron Gaseko, Nick Karin,
Milard Sandeler, Vincent Hravrich, Dave Killian,
Darrell Miles.

WHITING HARDWARE COMPANY

Whiting's Most Complete Hardware Store

WHITING MOTOR SALES

Hudson—Hornet—Wasp

Eighth Grade



Upper picture—1st row—Delores McBrien, Clara Miller, Carolyn Alloway, Sheldon Hunton, Ron Bullington; 2nd row—Gretchen Goerg, Marlene Seto, Dwight Sanders, Don Atkins, Ed Bednar, 3rd row—Mary Alice Daley, Karen Hood, Lois Lunde, Bob Gerner, Cecil Ford, Larry Benish, Bob Westerfield, Paul Kompiier; 4th row—Carol Lapaich, Alice Davis, Peggy Mercer, Jim Huff, Roger Marsh, Bob Gaskey; 5th row—Beverly Suto, Jane Koelling, Kathy Regan, Buster Ostler, Jack Pegg.

Lower picture—1st row—Mary Jane Murga, Barbara Duncan, Loretta Box, Judy Small, Rosetta Box, Margaret Collier; 2nd row—Douglas Johnson, Fred Dollens, Bill Beeler, Dave Koser, Bill Hunt, Steve Gabor; 3rd row—Jim Chorba, Jerry McKinley, Bob Davis, Larry Vaughn, Bob Punak; 4th row—Pat Ruel, Bill Stavitzke, Frank Murzyn, Jerry Jones

LUKACSEK FOOD SHOP
2103 Superior Avenue

McCREARY'S BARBER SHOP
1821 Indianapolis Blvd.



From night can easily be termed the loveliest night of the year, and the definition can aptly be applied to Whiting High's 1954 Junior-Senior Prom.

The theme of the dance, "Black Magic," was a mixture of the primitive and civilized countries of South America. Decorations of red and black gave added emphasis to the already tingling atmosphere.

Symbolizing the primitive lands was a replica of an ancient Inca idol, sitting upon its altar, staring at the crowd with sinister black eyes.

Civilization was presented in the guise of a garden patio of a vast South American plantation house.

Dreamy music for the occasion was rendered by Bud Pressner and his orchestra.

... Good Times They Have ...



TOPPER FORMAL WEAR
1926 INDIANAPOLIS BLVD.





From left to right—Mary Ann Bednar, Mary Greer, Tess McNamara, and Kay Grenik



Carolyn Mowell, Miss Petersen, Margie Pieters

'55 Reflector Staff

This year's REFLECTOR staff began work on the annual more than a year ago. Ideas for themes, art work, and copy were being visualized.

Janice Williams and Marge Pieters spent two weeks on the campus of Indiana University, where they attended classes in yearbook layouts and copy work for the annual.

Returning to school in the fall these two passed their knowledge on to the other staff members. Under the guidance of Miss Ane Marie Petersen, the REFLECTOR staff advisor, the framework of the yearbook began to take shape.

The theme finally decided upon was "It's The Students That Make Whiting High". Blue and white were chosen as the 1955 REFLECTOR colors.

This year's goal for advertising of \$1100 was surpassed by \$14. Without the finances received from ads given by the out-lying and, particularly, the local merchants, the success of this yearbook would not have been possible.

BUBALA FOOD SHOP
1601 - 121st STREET

DEAN M. TAGGART, D.D.S.
DEAN O. TAGGART, D.D.S.

The editors of the 1955 REFLECTOR were selected by the 1954 yearbook staff at the Journalism Banquet given each year by the Junior Journalists.

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Kay Grecnik
Faculty Advisor
Miss Ane Marie Petersen



Pictured above—Mike Drevyanko, Janice Williams, Richard Plawecki and Judy Jancosek.



From left to right—Evelyn Micoley, Mike Kinel, Pat Warzyniak, Martha Machaj, Nancy Carroll, Kay Lawton, and Kay Grecnik

ANDRE'S BEAUTE BOX
1200 119th STREET

THOMAS J. WAGNER
INSURANCE AGENCY



Must be a joke. From left to right—Evelyn Micoley, Mary Ann Grdina, Kay Grencik, Donna Fennell, Kay Lawton, and Martha Machaj

The TATTLER editors, like the REFLECTOR editors, are chosen at the annual Journalism Banquet by the graduating editors and Miss Ane Marie Petersen, faculty advisor.

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Big Three Conference. Pictured above—Miss Ane Marie Petersen, Henryetta Boswell, Tess McNamara.

WHITING SHADE & AWNING
1242 119th STREET

MAZANEK'S GROCERY



Must be a good story. Printed above—Gerry Zelenke, Mary Ann Benson, and Jean Stefek

Make up a double-line head for this story!" "Get it down to the print shop!" On the double!"

These are a few of the calls and orders that are heard when the TATTLER staff is preparing the paper for the next issue.

Making headlines and copy fit their allotted spaces are just two of the numerous duties of the reporters.

After completion in the journalism room, the TATTLER copy is sent down to Mr. B. J. Vesely, printing supervisor of the paper, and his print shop boys.

Here the stories are set up on the "Little Giant" printing press. From it roll the more than 600 copies of the TATTLER, distributed free of charge to all the students of the junior-senior high school every two weeks.

Cub reporters are being trained in the journalism class to take the place of graduating TATTLER and REFLECTOR staff members.

At the end of each semester the cub reporters take charge of the news and put out a cub edition. In this way they utilize the knowledge acquired in the journalism class and gain the practical experience needed when they take over the TATTLER responsibilities.

'55 Tattler Staff



All boys and one girl. From left to right—Gerry Zelenke, Mike Kinsal, Richard Plawewski, Janice Williams, Mike Drevyanko, and Ted Chandik.

PRAIRIE VIEW DAIRY
EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

Congratulations to the Class of '55
A FRIEND

Girl's Club

"Under New Management" is a familiar slogan that can be aptly applied to this year's Girls' Club.

Miss Mary Jeanne Wiesen has filled the office of club sponsor left vacant by Miss Margaret Canine, who retired from teaching last year.

At the opening of school in September, the Girls' Club staged an assembly introducing all the clubs and organizations at Whiting and a short explanation of each.

Chosen to lead the club members this year were Mary Therese McNamara, president; Irene Kristoff, vice-president; Carol Satterlee, secretary; and Charlotte Hall, treasurer.



Straight From Pat Stevens

Bottom to top—Gil Cesar, Nora Moyrithas, Eleanor Szerbow, Carolyn Collins, and Kay Lawton

Girls' Club Officers And Sponsor

From left to right—Carol Satterlee, Charlotte Hall, Miss Wiesen, Tess McNamara, and Irene Kristoff.



BOB'S DELICATESSEN
1517 121st STREET

DYBEL'S FLORAL SHOP
EAST CHICAGO, INDIANA

Library Club



Officers—From left to right: Corrie Wingert, treasurer; Miss Ruth Espenlaub, sponsor; Pat Kiraly, president; Mary Ann Bednar, vice-president; and Mary Ann Magyar, secretary.



From left to right—Florence Wingert, Lorraine Zubeck, Pauline Lukacek, Sharon Williams, Mary Ann Magyar, Mary Beth Pohl, and Carolyn Collins.

Patrol Club

The Patrol Club may not be the most publicized group at Whiting High, but its members have one of the most important responsibilities in the school.

They have done an outstanding job in protecting Whiting students from death and injury on their way to and from school.

Patrol aspirants are usually elected into the patrol by the older members, but they may be appointed by the principal or the patrol supervisor. Students of the junior and senior high schools are eligible for membership.

After one year of service, a member is presented with a service pin. A "W" monogram is awarded to members contributing two years of service.

Officers of the club are Arnold Reneer, president; Joe Jurek, vice-president; Don Elledge, secretary; Don Richardson, treasurer; and Harold Smith, sergeant-at-arms. Mr. Henry Kosalko is sponsor of the organization.



From top to bottom—1st row—Mr. Kosalko, John Krivacic, Harold Smith, Joe Jurek. 2nd row—Joe Smith, Leonard Scher, Don Elledge, Don Richardson, Arnold Reneer. 3rd row—Milton Riggs, Gerald Reeves, Don Maicher, Albert Koch. 4th row—Charles Smith, Paul Soucy, Leroy Girman, Robert Turich, Jack Scott. John Pohl not pictured.

HARRY R. BARTON, D.D.S.
WHITING, INDIANA

JOSEPH P. SULLIVAN
ATTORNEY



From left to right—Irene Kristoff, Michele Lynch, Jerry Zelenke, Barbara Vacendak, Gregory Donsan, Mr. Taylor, Mike Haviley, Joyce Williams, Sheldon Hunt, Mike Kinel, George Burman, Carol Burman, Marty Jamrose and Ron Kerst.

Pictured below—Mr. Taylor, sponsor; Barbara Vacendiak, vice-president; Carol Burman, secretary; Mike Kinel, president, and Irene Kristoff, treasurer.



Student Council

At Whiting the Council is an organization designed to accommodate the faculty and student body and to help in making school life more pleasant and orderly.

The students voice their likes and dislikes through their home room representatives. Suggestions on various activities promoted throughout the year are welcomed by the Council.

Responsible for much of the success enjoyed by the organization is amiable Mr. Jack Taylor, who has been its sponsor for many years.

During the school year Council representatives attended meetings of the Lake County Association of Student Councils, to which Whiting belongs.

W.H.S. Red Cross Representatives



Pictured above—1st row—Bill Beecher, Bob Wilson, Theresa Hamadej, Tonya Lesinsky, Miss Shirley Crutchfield, Ruth Ann Macko, Diana Jamrose; 2nd row—Sha or Kovack, Lee Crum, Kenneth Davenport, Mary Ann Tegosik, Jo Ellen Nicolson, Marie Moore, John McNamara, Sue Smith, Marian Lunde, Phyllis Pieters, Mary Ann Bednar.

Future Nurses



Future Florence Nightingales

From left to right: First row—Martina Machaj, Mary Ann Grdina, Phyllis Riehl, Pat Kirby, Miss Crutchfield; Second row—Connie Wingerl, Carol Satterlee, Karen Hassel, Donna Fennell, Gail Etheridge, Barbara Young, Mary Greer; Third row—Kay Grenick, Mary Ann Tegosik, Janj Szlanda, Evonne Read, Tess McNamara, and Mary Ann Bednar.

FASHION SHOP
1345-119th STREET

MCLAUGHLIN SERVICE
Indianapolis Blvd.—Atchison Avenue



Spanish Club

A bit of Old Spain is kept alive at Whiting High through the efforts of the Spanish Club.

Under sponsorship of Mr. Jack Taylor, the group sees movies of that romantic country, listens to its folk tunes, and learns its language and customs.

Additional Spanish influences are found when the club travels to the Windy City of Chicago and takes in a Mexican movie, followed by a snack in a Spanish restaurant. The flashing feet of dancer Jose Greco are also viewed by the Spanish enthusiasts.

The annual Chili Bowl basketball game pits the first-year students, Los Burros, against the second-year students, Los Toros.

The VIP's of the Spanish club this year were John "Louie" Doran, president; Mary Ward, vice-president; Dorothy Zencka, secretary; and Jim Yager, treasurer.



Taking Your Siesta, Jim?

Pictured above are the officers: Jim Yager, John Doran, Dorothy Zencka, and Mary Ward.

WHITE STAR GROCERY
1401 INDIANAPOLIS BLVD.

WHITING FLOWER SHOP
1347 119th STREET

Latin Club

"Altiara Petimus" are the words inscribed on the Latin Club emblem. They mean, "We Seek Higher Things".

The Latinites may not always seem to behave in the manner of true Roman scholars, but a glimpse of one of their formal initiations will testify to the fact that they are trying to achieve a higher goal than most non-Latin students.

The club has its lighter side, too, as demonstrated in the informal part of the Latin initiation.

Miss Elizabeth Matson, sponsor of the group, instills added interest of ancient Rome by having the club present short skits and playlets symbolizing famous Romans or important incidents of the Roman era.

A revision in the club constitution has changed the titles for the Latin I and II students and the Latin Club officers. The Latin I's are now the Plebeians, and the Latin II's are called the Patricians.

Those elected this year were James Macey—Pontifex Maximus (president); Dan Santay—Tribune (vice-president); Bridget Alexovic—Censor (secretary); John Kubeck—Quaestor (treasurer); Nicholas Vischak—Consul; John Gerds—Aedile (program chairman); and Robert Christensen—Praetor (honor point judge).

"We Seek the Higher Things"

Pictured below—Nick Vischak, Jim Macey, Dan Santay, Bridget Alexovic, Miss Elizabeth Matson, John Gerds, John Kubeck and Robert Christensen.



Pictured above—Mary Pryton and Norma Satterlee making the boar's head for the Roman banquet.



MARCIE'S—LADIES APPAREL
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Backstage Help—From left to right—Ray Kusarka, Sylvia Gabor, Lenore Sabiraka, Joan Solym, Shirley Noble, Janice Williams

Thespian Society

Becoming a member of the National Thespian Society is a goal sought by all who participate in any phase of dramatics at Whiting High.

In order to be eligible for membership, a candidate must earn a total of ten points by taking part in school plays and stage activities, whether in the cast or on one of the crews.

After accumulating enough points the candidate is subjected to an informal initiation. In the spring he is formally initiated into the society.

Thespian groups all over the country are known as troupes. The Whiting branch is Troupe No. 356.

Officers of the Whiting troupe this year were Janice Williams, president; Pat Kiraly, vice-president; Marge Pieters, secretary; and Sylvia Gabor, treasurer. Mrs. Marie Lentvorsky is sponsor of the Whiting chapter.



"Act Well Your Part, There All Honor Lies"

From left to right—Sylvia Gabor, Janice Williams, Marge Pieters, Mrs. Marie Lentvorsky and Pat Kiraly

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Pictured left to right are Evelyn Micooley, who plays the part of Dr. Von Bart, the fluttery German psychiatrist; Martha Machaj, as the kindly principal; Janice Grayson as Rhodora, the frightened colored maid; Gail Kozack alias Miss Baker was the indignant school teacher; Irene Kristoff as Lydia P. Latherby, the soap manufacturer; Carolyn Mowell and Ted Chandik played Mr. and Mrs. Tennyson, the perfect idiot's parents. Donna Fennell was Miss Booth, the typical journalist, and Monica Shebish was a policewoman.

Pictured here is the younger set of "The Perfect Idiot." Left to right: Carol Sharp as Jeannie Wilson, Richard Walters, her boyfriend, Jackie; Jack Earlywine as Puff, very dumb but the athletic star of their high school; Pat Kirdy as Carlo, Puff's Amazon girlfriend; Moltke Gram, who portrayed Dan Tennyson, the boy idiot who in reality was a genius; Janice Williams, the principal's daughter and Dan's girl.

Pictured here are the students of the Academy of Dramatic and Allied Arts from the school play "Stardust." In the first row are Monica Shebish, who portrays Mavis Moriarty; Donna Fennell, Marion Phipps; Tess McNamara, Stella Brahm; Roxanne Wallen, Miss Freeman; Carol Sharp, Cynthia Keene, Gail Kozack, Janet Ross; Lorraine Zubeck, Miss Burns; Mary Ann Grana, Miss Jones; Marlene Bachurek, Miss Robinson. In the back row are Bob Zondor, John Redman; Mike Haviley, Ramona Brown; Richard Walters, Phil Ford; and Jack Jaros, Ted Voorhis.

Another shot from "Stardust!" Miss Prudence Mason, whom we all know as Carol Burman, is shown signing a Hollywood contract while her friends look on. From left to right are Irene Kristoff, who plays the part of Claire Carter, friend of Miss Prudence; Michele Lynch, the dignified dean of women at the university; Carol Burman portraying Prudence Mason, the visiting actress Moltke Gram was Mr. Bach, the excitable head of the dramatic department; Ray Kurcinka, Jerry Flannagan the Hollywood agent; and Mike Mordus as Arthur Scott, Jr., Prudence's fiance.



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From left to right

1st row—Gerry Brindley, Tom Doron, Ken Fallin, Leroy Satterlee, Nick Plesha, Dave Sharp, Carl Jenkins, John Hart, Ron Ross, John Gerds, Eugene Plesha, Don Bubola, Jim Kamradt, and Ron Hussey.

2nd row—Don Turich, Jack Jaros, Mike Drevyanko, Jack Hudson, Francis Kujawa, Joan Solyom, Martha Zierl, Tanyo Lesisky, Pat Kiroly, Carol Yusko, Michele Lynch, Phyllis Webster, Dave Goodwine, Jerry Ford, David Yadron, and Phil Grenchik.

3rd row—Gail Etheridge, Mary Ann Trieber, Martha Machaj, Lenore Sabinske, Beverly Santay, Joyce Chandik, Mary Ann Grdina, Betty Kristek, Monica Shebish, Pat Trieber, Dorothy Memet, Judy Boskovich, Carol Sharp, Evelyn Micooley, Barbara Ginther, Tess McNamara.

Melodeers

If you like to sing, and you're not afraid of a little work, you may find yourself in the music department of Whitnig High.

The Melodeers comprise the largest single group in the department. During the Christmas season they go caroling through town and often times to neighboring cities.

Many weeks of practice are spent preparing for the annual concerts and contests that take place in the spring. Students who wish to gain additional knowledge in the field of music come after school and are instructed by Mr. Bernard Qubeck, music director. In so doing they may earn choral and advanced "W's" in recognition of their work. A service "W" is awarded to those who have given four years of service to the music department.

Whitnig was chosen as the site for the 1955 state finals of the Indiana High Band, Vocal, and Orchestra contest. Helping to plan and finance the contest and other programs is the Music Parents' Association. As its name implies, the association is composed of parents of the students in the band, orchestra and choral departments.

Much of the success enjoyed by the choral groups can be attributed to its director, Mr. Bernard Qubeck.

Mr. Qubeck possesses a well-rounded music background, lecturing vocal and recording work with the orchestras of Andrei Kostelanez and David Rose.

While in the army, he wrote musical plays for Station WFAA in Fort Worth, Texas. He has also sung with the U.S. Opera Co.



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Freshman Chorus

From left to right

First row Diane Jamrose, Dorothy Zepka, Bernadette Skalko, Charlotte Hall, Helen Collier, Carolyn Grubaugh, Judy Kamradt, Janice Roe, Marian Mayernick, Mary Calta

Second row: Joan Tolley, Mary Ann Jurbola, Anita Young, Deoria Caseland, Janet Johnson, Jan Dvorshak, Irene Kobe, Mary Hayes, Annette Lynch

Third row David Yadron, Michael Klym, Daniel Jacobs, Richard Harding, Wayne Westerfield, Otha Barton, John Hart, Don Bubala, Milton Litavec, Joe Lovasko, Leroy Girman

Pianists

No choral department is complete without pianists. Pictured here are the girls who accompany the vocalists of Whiting High School

From left to right are Carol Sharp, Barbara Ginther, Martha Machaj, Monica Shebish, and seated is Tess McNamara



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Leona Walczak
Marion Lunde
Donna Fennell
Karen Sabo
Marjean Maxwell

Director

Mr. Adam P. Lesinsky

Second Violin

Judy Walsko
Mary Greer
Gloria Levin
Lois Lunde
Pat Lewis
Margaret Arnold
Carol Alloway
Pat Sullivan
Karen Hood
David Hayes

French Horn

Richard Alloway
Aretta Jones
Carol Jean Jaroscak

Viola

Irene Kristoff
Connie Wingert
Susan Doman

Percussion

Don Koch

Cello

Tanya Lesinsky
Gail Kozacik
Janice Williams
Florence Wingert
Nancy Rosdil

String Bass

Margie Pieters
Sylvia Gabor
Gail Etheridge
Gail Beeler

Trombone

Janice Grayson
Bill Dunlap
Joan Szlanda

Flute

Gil Clesar
Nancy Bernard

Oboe

Anna Mae Oreskovich
Carl Kristoff

Clarinet

Mary Ward
Annette De Carlo

Bassoon

Barbara Anderson

Trumpet

Jack Jaros
Joan Querry
Dorothy Memet



Band

Majorette

Louise Griffin

Flute

Nancy Bernard
Jeanette Umfleet

Clarinet

Ginger Johnson
Ron Blasko
Jean Stelek
Mary Ward
Cathleen Smith

Bassoon

Richard Schultze

Trombone

Bill Mitchell
Evelyn Yasvec
Kathline Kroslack

Saxophone

Richard Riffer
Bruce Wargo
Jean Borgetti
Richard Turner
Mary Lou Kammer
Leroy Satterlee
Pat Treiber
Jo Ellen Nicholson

Trumpet

Joan Querry
Anna Mae Bednar
Georgine Pataky
Linda Grey
Charlotte Hughes
Brenda Smith

French Horn

Dick Alloway
David Suto
Bob Dougherty
Joyce Chandik

Tympani

Ron Koch

Percussion

Roxanne Wallen
Kenny Fallen
Mike Adzima
June Rowe

Sousaphone

Tom Coil
Albert Klym
Buster Brown

Tuba

Phyllis Wajvoda

Director

Mr. Adam P. Lesinsky



1st row—Mrs. S. Lentvorsky, Mary Ann Bednar, Martha Machaj, Michele Lynch, Tess McNamara, Phyllis Riehl
 2nd row—Carolyn Mowell, Kay Grecik, Henryetta Boswell, Pat Kiraly, Jean Stelek,
 3rd row—Richard Plawewski, LeRoy Satterlee, Ted Chanski, Malar Matuska, Gerry Zelenke

National Honor Society

President	Miler Matuska
1st vice-president	Martha Machaj
2nd vice-president	Mary Ann Bednar
Secretary	Carolyn Mowell
Treasurer	Michele Lynch
Social co-chairmen	Mary Therese McNamara and Henryetta Boswell

One of the highest honors which can be bestowed upon a high school student is election to membership in the National Honor Society.

It is looked upon and often regarded as "the Phi Beta Kappa of the high school."

In order to be eligible for membership a student must maintain at least a "B" average. Other points of eligibility are also considered, such as character. A member must have such qualities as personality, honesty, reliability, promptness, achievement, and morality. Then selection is made by the faculty of those who have exemplified school and community service, and the ability to lead others.

"The flaming torch is the emblem of our purpose. To bear forward the searching light of truth, to lead so that others may follow in the light, to serve and to keep burning in our school a high ambition for the enduring values of life, these purposes are symbolized in the torch."

Under the capable direction of Mrs. Marie Lentvorsky, the Whiting chapter of the society has maintained the standards prescribed by this national organization.

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Scholarship "W" Club

First Year Awards

First row Jean Stiefel, Mary Ward, Marlene Bachurek, Carol Sharp, Martha Mercel, Marya Shebub, Barbara Ginther, Gail Kozack

Second row: Carl Kristoff, Richard Walters, Frances Kujawa, Carol Yusko, Kay Grenick, Richard Riller, David Suto

Third row LeRoy Satterlee, John Mc Namara, Richard Fehrman, Ted Kotyuk, Mike Haviley, Richard Schultz

Fourth row Richard Turner, Greg Grothouse



Second Year Awards

First row: Mary Ann Bednar, Tanya Lesniak, Nancy Carroll

Second row: Phyllis Webster, Barbara Vacendak, Janet Comstock, Irene Kristoff

Third row: Gene Plesha, Ted Bendis, Gordon Aird



Third Year Awards

First row Henryetta Boswell, Carolyn Mowell

Second row: Martha Machaj, Michele Lynch, Tess McNamara

Third row: Richard Plawecki, Milan Matuska



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1st row—Norma Satterlee, Mary Ann Magyar, Carol Burman, Marlene Bachurek, John McNamara, Carolyn Collins, Pat Palmer.

2nd row—Nick Vischak, Joan Szlanda, Gail Duncan, Lorraine Zubeck, Carolyn Oprisko, Martha Mercer, Phyllis Wajvoda, Jerry Ford, Robert Christensen, Philip Thompson, Martin Jamrose, Richard Rulfer, Richard Schultze, David Suto.

3rd row—Bridget Alexovic, Roger Wargo, Jim Yager, John Murad, Paul Kuykendall, Ernest Bright, Ted Kotyuk, John Matuska, Danny Santay, Donald Turich.



Biology Club

The Whiting High Biology Club was busy this year. The members conducted experiments in genetics using fruit flies and white mice as their "guinea pigs".

The objective of the club is to promote a greater interest in science and living things.

Visiting the Museum of Science and Industry constituted one of the many field trips the organization sponsored throughout the year.

In electing officers the members went all out and came up with the following seven VIP's: president, John McNamara; vice-president, Pat Palmer; secretary, Marlene Bachurek; treasurer, Carol Satterlee; sergeant-at-arms, Carolyn Collins; librarian, Carol Burman; and reporter, Mary Ann Magyar.

Mr. Von Stoffer, biology teacher is sponsor of this ambitious group.

Pictured at left—Carol Burman, Norma Satterlee, Pat Palmer, Mary Ann Magyar, Marlene Bachurek, Carolyn Collins, John McNamara.

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Speech Club

A welcome addition to Whiting's extra-curricular activities list is the Speech Club.

This newly-organized group took part in many of the various speech congresses and seminars held in northern Indiana.

Trips to Purdue and Northwestern University speech seminars afforded the club members an opportunity to observe more experienced orators in action.

At the speech congresses they learned parliamentary procedure, which enabled them to draw up bills and pass them at these meetings.

Miss Mary Jeanne Wiesen, English teacher, organized the club and is its sponsor.

Pictured at right—Nick Vischak, James Macey, Carol Sharp, and Gail Kozacik going over the repertoire of the next meeting.



1st row—Rita Pishkur, Pat Kiraly, Marianne Tegosik, Irene Kristof, Jerry Ford, Carol Sharp, Gail Kozacik, Tessie McNamara, Carol Burman.

2nd row—Philip Thompson, Danny Santay, Martin Jamrose, James Macey, John McNamara, Donald Turich, Nick Vischak.

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From September to June, sports constitute a large portion of a Whiting student's life.

He may be an active participant doing his utmost for the honor of the school, or he may be a spectator cheering the team on to a victory.

Sports are essential to the welfare of the school population. They furnish an outlet for the excess energy possessed by every healthy high school student.

The main purpose of an athletic program is not merely to encourage physical prowess and skill in a particular activity. Sports teach the basic fundamentals of fair play and help to develop the character traits necessary for a full, mature life as an adult.

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One, Two, Three, Four—One, Two, Three
Whiting Oilers warm-up before the Whiting-South Bend Riley game, which they won 12-6

Glory And Honor Did They Bring To Whiting High!
Ed Fritz plunges through with the ball during the Whiting-South Bend Riley game.

From Mediocrity To Superiority

The 1954 gridmen of Whiting High School ended their successful season with an eight-win and one-loss record, the Northern Indiana High School and Mythical State Championship. Hobart, Washington, Morton, Hammond High, Roosevelt, Horace Mann, Clark and South Bend Riley fell under the mighty feet of the sturdy Oilers. The Gallivanites fell only to Gary Lew Wallace.

As the season progressed, the Oilers became nicknamed the "Ironmen." Jerry Progar, Jim Kamradt, Bob Gumulowski, Bob Berick, Dave Sharp, Walt Campbell, Wayne Boran, Don Hough, Carl Herakovich, Ron Rosin, Ed Fritz, Nick Plesha, Lewis Lee, and Phil Grenchik constituted the WHS "Ironmen".

Ed Fritz was the big gun for the Oilers. He scored 60 points and gained almost 1000 yards on the ground. Following the Clark-Whiting game, Fritz received the Most Valuable Player Award, while Louie Lee won the Best Mental Attitude Award.

Hobart here—The Green and White started off their '54 grid season by whipping the Hobart Brickies, 13-0, on a drizzling evening in September. This was the first Whiting victory of the season. Two juniors, Bob Gumulowski and Dave Sharp, did the scoring. Gumulowski scored the first tally of the season on a pass from Ed Fritz that covered 66 yards.

Lew Wallace there—Tollstetter field was the place where the Oilers fell to the Wallace Hornets. In the second quarter, Wally Smoot intercepted an Oiler pass on his own 40-yard line and went 60 yards for the TD. The Hornets were the first and only grid eleven to hold the Oilers scoreless. This was Whiting's first conference game and proved to be their only loss.

Washington there—In the cold of the Roosevelt gridiron, the Oilers scored their first big upset of the year by smashing the Washington Senators, 25-6. The Oilers scored their first tally on what came to be their best play. Ed Fritz carried the ball through a big hole in the middle of the line and went about 55 yards for the score. The Oiler defenses held up until, with about two minutes left in the fourth quarter, the Solons scored their lone TD.

Morton there—After the Washington game, students and teachers at WHS began to talk and think of a championship squad. Morton became the next victim of the determined Gallivanites. The Governors fell to the Oilers by the score of 13-0.

Hammond High here—Inspired by the Homecoming cheering section and with the will to win, the Green and White went onto the football field and trounced the Hammond Wildcats, 25-13. Fritz again proved to be the big gun for the Oilers by gaining 192 yards. With this victory the championship thoughts, as well as the faith, hope and determination of the BOYS who played, were firmly established.

Roosevelt there—Roosevelt, rated first in the state, and the Oilers, rated ninth, clashed on the Rough Rider gridiron and the Oilers scored twice in the first quarter, Fritz doing the scoring. He scored the first TD on a 50-yard run through the middle of the Rider line. Later he scored on a plunge and gave the Oilers a 12-0 lead. In the second quarter, the Riders scored a TD and kicked the conversion to make the score 12-7. The Green and White showed their great defensive strength by stopping several Rider drives, the last drive taking the Riders to their seven-yard line with two and a half minutes left in the game when the Oilers took the ball. Everyone sat on this edge of his seat throughout the game.

Horace Mann here—Gary's Horsemen were the next to fall to Whiting. The Horsemen were unable to score and the Oilers went for 19 points to give them a four-and-one conference record. This tied them with Roosevelt, Washington, and Emerson for the Division title with one game left for the E. C. teams and Whiting.

Clark there—With rivalry at its best at Clark's Homecoming, the Pioneers scored first and forced the Oilers to come from behind to win, 13-6. Clark worked its way within scoring distance and was held by the defense of the stubborn Green and White. Clark gained 108 yards by passing.

South Bend Riley here—Three teams, Roosevelt, Emerson, and Whiting, tied for the Division title. A drawing took place and through the luck of Mr. George Burman, Whiting was picked to play Riley. The Oilers came on the field before the 4,000 fans as the underdogs and came from behind to defeat the Riley Wildcats, 12-6. Fritz scored both of the TDs. The Oilers captured the State Championship by climbing the ladder and having faith, hope and the will to win.



1st row—Don Turich, Roger Wargo, Carl Herakovich, Louie Lee, Jim Kamradt, Burnell Sell, Phil Grenchik, Darrel Hunt.

2nd row—Richard Headley, Loye Bechtold, Jerry Prager, Don Hough, Nick Plesha, Ron Rosin, Jerry Ward, Wayne Barnes.

3rd row—LeRoy Satterlee, Ray Zubeck, Walt Campbell, Bob Berak, David Sharp, Ed Fritz, Wayne Baran.

4th row—John Murad, Managers Jack Jares and Carl Kristoff, Coaches Peter Kovachic, Ray P. Gallivan and Henry Kosalko, Manager George Ostrowski, Ed Christiansen.

They Were Triumphant

W. H. S.		
13	Hobart	0
0	Lew Wallace	6
25	E. C. Washington	6
13	Morton	0
25	Hammond High	13
12	E. C. Roosevelt	7
19	Horace Mann	0
13	Clark	6
12	South Bend Riley	6
132		44

LH	Ed Fritz	60
FB	Lewis Lee	18
RH	Nick Plesha	18
QB	Carl Herakovich	18
RE	Bob Gumulowski	6
LE	Jim Kamradt	6
LT	Dave Sharp	6
RT	Bob Berak	0
RG	Walt Campbell	0
C	Don Hough	0
LG	Wayne Baran	0
RE	Jerry Progar	0
OB	Ron Rosin	0
RH	Phil Grenchik	0

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The N. I. H. S. C. and State Champs gleamed through the sweat on their brows after defeating South Bend Riley, 12-6, on the memorable night of November 19.

In the upper left corner is the championship team in Memorial Gym after the game. Right top pictures the joyous confusion and cheers that followed the triumphant "Ironmen." The picture on the right bottom shows Ed Fritz jumping through hoop prior to the night's game.

Coach Ray Gallivan is pictured cutting the championship cake after the game in the photo at right while the boys look on hungrily. At the left, Fritz carries a few Riley Wildcats over the goal line for a T.D.





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Managers ...

As usual the unsung heroes of the gridiron were the managers. Throughout the rough and victorious season, the managers were with the "Ironmen" and kept them well supplied with good equipment. The managers of the championship squad were Jack Jaros, who served his third year as manager, George Ostrowski, who experienced his second year as manager, and Carl Kristoff, who was a manager for the first time.

As managers, the boys had to be the first ones in the gym and were usually the last ones to leave.

These boys had the chores of taking care of the uniforms, making sure they were clean and in good shape, seeing that the players got the right numbered jerseys before the game and occasionally playing doctor for some of the injured players. They were also the right-hand aids for the coaches. Congratulations to the boys for a job well done during a championship year.

Freshman Football Climbs, Too



1st row—Henry Plawewski, David Yadin, Pat Gallivan, Bob Turich, Ron Wilson, Dennis Plesha, Jack Sims.

2nd row—Bill Marlowe, Tom Justak, Jerry Reeves, Clyde Buckmaster, Jerry Burke, Milton Riggs.

3rd row—Don Bubala, John Krivacic, Denver Ferrv, Tom Kujawa, Don Elledge, Don Richardson.

Whiting

0	E. C. Roosevelt	12
0	Hammond Morton	13
27	Hammond High	0
13	Hammond Clark	0
6	Hammond Irving	0
0	E. C. Washington	13
6	Hammond Tech	33

Opponents

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Season's Record

Whiting	Opponents
47 Fowler	48
44 Hamm. Tech	52
66 Michigan City	78
59 Gary Emerson	52
56 Gary Froebel	64
63 Marmion Academy	70
71 Fractional	53
56 E. C. Roosevelt	61
44 Lebanon	52
42 S. B. Washington	77
39 Hamm. High	112
34 Tolleston	63
55 Clark	53
51 Valparaiso	59
57 Horace Mann	69
60 E. C. Roosevelt	67
57 Horace Mann	37
46 E. C. Washington	76
78 Hamm. Morton	70
62 Lew Wallace	53
75 Dyer	54
50 Hamm. High	61
Won—7	Lost—15

Pictured above—With the help of Milo Marvel and Ray Strabavy the Oilers made their goals

Oiler Buckets

Player	Points
Ray Strabavy	304
Milo Marvel	232
Carl Herakovich	227
Lewis Lee	174
Ed Christiansen	62
Wayne Baran	56
Melvin Mrzlock	44
Ted Bendis	35
Gene Stephens	29
Jim Kamradt	27

Pictured left—Carl Herackovich and Ray Strabavy just won't let their man get away.



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Top left Carl Herakovich, guard
 Top center Wayne Baran, center
 Top right Melvin Mrzlock, forward
 Bottom left Eugene Stephens, forward
 Bottom center Louis Lee, forward
 Bottom right Milo Marvel, forward

Pictured at right Ray Strabavy, our high point man of the season with 304 markers.



Basketball Team



From left to right—Carl Herakovich, Lewis Lee, Eugene Stephens, Wayne Borden, Ray Strabavy, Milo Marvel, Ted Bendis, Ed Christensen, Mel Mrzlock, Jim Kamradt



B Squad



Left to right—Jim Yager, Bob Jarsich, John McNamara, Bob Zuback, John Matuska, Bob Gumulatski, Ted Kotyuk, Paul Kuykendall, Greg Grothouse, Jim Macey, Don Turich.

Freshman Basketball Stars



1st row—Jack Scott, Clyde Buckmaster, Dennis Plesha, Ron Wilson, Pat Gullivan, Jack Sims, Bill Marlowe.

2nd row—Arnold Reneer, Don Richardson, Tom Kujawa, Don Elledge, John Krivacic, Tom Justak, Leonard Scher.

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 2nd row—Gordon Aird, Don Turich, Louie Lee, Leroy Satterlee, Dean Grass, Ron Rosin, Jim Kamradt, Mike Mordian
 3rd row—Coach Ray Gallivan, Dick Fehrman, Ed Fritz, Ray Strabavy, Greg Yancich, Bob Valencik, Mel Mrzlock, Ted Kotyuk.

Batting Averages

* Ed Fritz	.400
* Bob Valencik	.350
* Ron Rosin	.275
Jim Yager	.250
* Carl Herakovich	.238
* Ray Strabavy	.226
* Lewis Lee	.220
* Jim Satterlee	.220
* Mel Mrzlock	.212
* Dean Grass	.200
* Greg Yancich	.194
Don Roman	.200
* Jim Kamradt	.090
* Ed Fortin	.000
Ron Raaland	.000
Dick Fehrman	.000
Don Turich	.000
Phil Grenchik	.000
* Greg Grothouse	.000

* Denotes letter winners

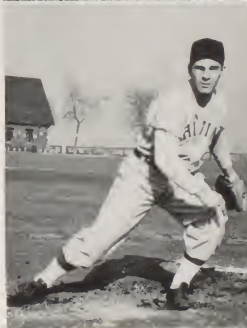
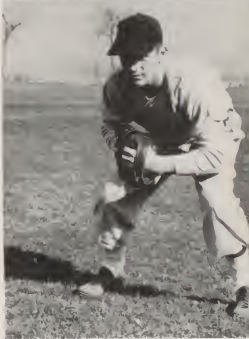
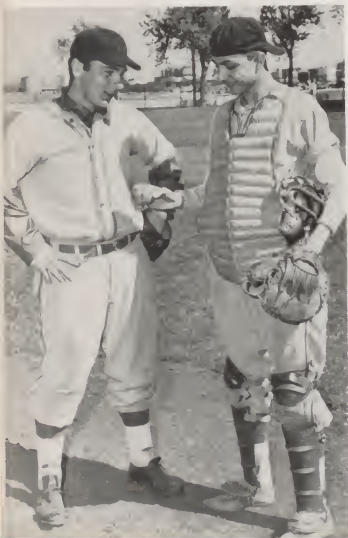
1954 Baseball Season Record

Whiting	Opponents
7	Tolleston 3
5	Lew Wallace 0
11	Hammond Tech 9
15	Froebel 6
10	Clark 1
2	Washington 4
5	Horace Mann 4
5	Roosevelt 9
0	Hammond High 5
0	Emerson 5
7	Tolleston 4
15	Lew Wallace 3
8	Hammond Tech 4
3	Froebel 0
3	Clark 0
5	Washington 2
5	Horace Mann 0
3	Roosevelt 2
0	Hammond High 3
1	Emerson 2



Upper left—Lewie Lee, center field
Middle—Ron Rosin, shortstop
Upper right—Mel Mrzlock, right field
Right center—Carl Herakovich, third base.
Bottom right—Ed Fritz, pitcher.

Pictured below are pitcher, Ed Fritz, and catcher, Ray Strabavy, talking things over



1954 Track Record

Whiting	Opponents
31	Valparaiso 76
46	Crown Point 64
43	Horace Mann 73
36	Washington 47
28	Hammond Tech 64
46	Emerson 54
36	Clark 66

* Burnell Sell	36 1/2
* Mike Kinell	29 3/4
* Eugene Plesha	19 1/4
* Gene Stephens	14 1/4
Larry McClelland	4
Joe Seketa	11
Don Banik	6
Milan Matuska	5
Jack Jaros	2 1/4
Bill Micisko	1
Joe Zmichuk	8 1/2
* Denotes letter winners	

Mike Kinell set a new Whiting High School high jump record of 5 feet 10 1/2 inches.

Pictured above—Eugene Plesha, track star for Whiting High, says he runs two or three miles just for a warm-up.



Kneeling—Bill Buncheck, Nick Vajchak, Jerry Ford, Roger Wargo, Al Molnar, Ray Kurcinka, Larry McClelland.

Standing—Coach Joe Platek, Gene Plesha, Milan Matuska, Mike Kinell, Don Banik, Jack Jaros, Gene Stephens, Jake Sell, Jimmy Kujawa.



1st row—Robert Christensen, Darrel Hunt, Richard Kutcka, Larry McClelland, Bill Dunlap, Don Ruman, Don McClelland, Roger Wargo, Don Santay.

2nd row—Dick Headley, Jerry Ward, Jake Sell, Julius Panik, John Ciesar, Mike Kinell, Al Molnar, John Murad, John Kubeck, Bernie Pement. Jack Sell pictured below.

W. H. S. Tankmen

Name	Points
* Don McClelland	77
* Burnell Sell	52 1/4
* John Murad	53 1/2
* Larry McClelland	34 1/2
* Bill Dunlap	40 3/4
* John Ciesar	37 1/2
* Mike Kinell	22 1/2
* Darrel Hunt	26 3/4
* Julius Panik	26 1/2
Jerry Ward	21
Don Ruman	16 1/3
Don Santay	11
Richard Kutcka	63/4
Al Molnar	5 1/3
John Kubeck	4 1/2
Bob Christensen	13/4
* Denotes letter winners	

Our swimming team had four wins to ten losses. Don McClelland placed third in diving in the conference and sixth in the state in the same event.



W. H. S. Coaching Staff



Seated—Mr. Henry Kosalko, Mr. Ray Gallivan, Mr. Peter Kovachic
Standing—Mr. Steven Powdy, Mr. Joseph DePeugh, Mr. Joseph Platek.

Athletic Board



Seated—Gene Plesha, vice-president; Ray Strabavy, boy representative; Tess McNamara, secretary; Nick Plesha, president; Monica Shebish, treasurer; Irene Kristoff, girl representative.

Standing—Mr. Ray Gallivan, director of athletics; Mr. George Burman, principal; Mr. B. J. Vesely, faculty representative; Miss Alice Jenkins, faculty treasurer; Mr. Peter Kovachic, faculty representative.

"W" Club

Those who are numbered in the ranks of the "W" Club can and should be proud of their membership. Not every athletic participant can earn the varsity monogram that is the first requirement for entering the club.

After the prospective member has obtained his letter, he is subjected to a rigorous initiation. If the initiate survives this ordeal, he is proclaimed worthy of membership and admitted to the group.

In addition to the initiation the club's agenda includes the presentation of its annual all-school dance, which is usually one of the best-attended dances of the year.

Leading the members of the organization and the accomplishment of the group's activities were president, Ed Fritz; vice-president, Jim Kamradt; secretary, Bob Gumulauski; treasurer, Bob Bercik; and sergeant-at-arms, Carl Herakovich.

Coach Ray P. Gallivan, head of Whiting High's athletic department, is the appropriate sponsor and counselor of the club.



"W" Club Officers

Seated—Bob Gumulauski, Ed Fritz, Bob Bercik.
Standing—Carl Herakovich, Jim Kamradt.



1st row—Milo Marvel, Bob Gumulauski, Bill Farlap, Mike Kinol, Ed Fritz.
2nd row—Julius Panik, Jerry Progar, Wayne Beran, Jake Sell, Don McClelland, Larry McClelland.
3rd row—Jim Kamradt, Lewis Lee, Ray Strapavy, Joe Kapitani, Jimmy Kujawa, Jack Jaros.
4th row—Bob Bercik, Nick Plesha, Walt Campbell, George Ostrowski, Leroy Satterlee.
5th row—Carl Herakovich, Eugene Stephens, Phil Grenchik, Ron Rosin, Mel Mrzlock.



Standing—Mary Ward, Tess McNamara, Mary Haviley, Miss Alice Jenkins, Leona Walczak.

Seated—Michele Lynch and Donna Fennell

G. A. C. Awards

Every G.A.C. member can earn an award of some kind each year. Girls entering the club as freshmen can accumulate four major awards by the time they graduate.

The numerals are the first award, given after a girl has earned 700 points. When 1400 points have been earned and the member has participated in three major sports, she is presented with her "W".

In order to win a G.A.C. pin, a member must accumulate 2100 points and participate in four major sports. The last award, and the goal of every G.A.C. member, is the trophy. It is given to the girls who take part in six major sports and amass 2600 points.

Each month a member is chosen to receive the Kampus Kate, an award given to the girl who renders some outstanding service to the club during that month.



Kampus Kate Winners

Seated—Janice Grayson, Alvina Pustek, Leona Walczak, Donna Fennell, Barbara Perunko, Elaine Piasecki, Mary Haviley.

Standing—Norma Satterlee, Diane Jamrose, Mary Ward, Michele Lynch, Tess McNamara, Nancy Carroll, Martha Machaj, Henryetta Boswell.

Janice Grayson earned her G.A.C. pin this year and Mary Haviley earned her trophy.

AMERICAN SLOVAK CLUB
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Girls Athletic Club

The Girls' Athletic Club's purposes are to promote good sportsmanship, friendship, and leisure time activities. Its membership is comprised of nearly the entire female population of Whiting High.

As members, the girls take part in various athletic fields, including volleyball, basketball, bowling, swimming, hiking, and skating. The first three of the previous list are considered the major sports.

The G.A.C., unlike most of the other school organizations, does not sponsor dances for its financial income, but operates instead the concession stand at the lakeside stadium during football season. They also operate the concession stand in the Memorial gym during the basketball season. Membership in the club costs each girl 25 cents a year.

Throughout the year G.A.C. parties are given, during which time the various awards earned by members are presented.

The annual spring banquet is the main event on the G.A.C. calendar. Only those girls who have earned 700 or more points are eligible to attend.

Miss Alice Jenkins, girls' athletic director and sponsor of the G.A.C., is always ready to give counsel to those who ask.

Officers of the group this year were Michele Lynch, president; Barbara Perunko, vice-president; Mary Ward, secretary; and Donna Fennell, treasurer.

An important part of the organization is the executive board, the governing body of the G.A.C. It is composed of all past and present officers still in high school.

The board decides on all matters of club policy and each month selects a girl for the Kampus Kate award.



'W' Winners

Seated—Henryetta Boswell, Evelyn Micooley, Tanya Lesinsky, Roxanne Wallen, Donna Fennell, Sandra Panik, Michele Lynch.

Standing—Tess McNamara, Carolyn Mowell, Nancy Carroll, Katherine Grenick, Gerry Bodnar, Leona Walczak, Phyllis Webster, Barbara Perunko, Elaine Piasecki, Pat Pustek.

Numeral Winners



Seated—Pauline Lukacek, Marlene Bachurek, Mary Wroton, Monica Shebish, Anna Mae Potocsky, Karen Hassell, Betty Kristek, Gail Kozacik.

2nd row—Mary Ward, Barbara Young, Judy Jancosek, Francis Kujawa, Selma Roman, Pat Palmer, Pat Chromchik, Carolyn Collins, Ruth Ann Macko, Barbara Fritz, Donna Grubach, Kay Duffallo, Judy Fortner, Mary Beth Pohl, Rita Mazur, Norma Satterlee.

3rd row—Kay Lawton, Mary Greer, Mary Ann Grdina, Georgine Pataky, Eleanor Szerbowski, Joyce Stiga, Barbara Vacendak, Marianne Tegosik, Joan Szlanda, Judy Boskovich, Delores Jurek, Lorraine Zubeck.



Cheerleaders

Departing Seniors

Upper left—Pat Warzyniak, Pat Pustek, Judy Jancosek.

Football Cheerleaders

Upper right—Pat Warzyniak, Pat Pustek, Judy Jancosek, Carol Jean Jaroscak.

Basketball Cheerleaders

Middle picture—Judy Jancosek, Pat Warzyniak, Jack Jaros, Pat Pustek, Carol Jean Jaroscak.

B Squad Cheerleaders

1st row—Susanne Daman, Lorraine Zubeck, Bernadette Jancosek.

2nd row—Diane Mrzlock, Gil Ciesar, Carol Sharp, Donna Fennell.



Booster Club

The first real attempt to reorganize the Booster Club was begun only last year. Since then it has improved and rapidly expanded under the able hand of Mr. Norman Hall.

The club's constitution states its purposes are "to unify the student body and to promote school spirit and respect of school property."

The organization has done a great deal to live up to its program of assemblies, the sponsorship of contests for new cheers, and the making of shakers for important athletic exhibitions. The club also co-operates with the Student Council in preparing the homecoming festivities.

A dance, "The Football Boogie," was sponsored the Saturday following the Whiting High's conquest of South Bend Riley for the mythical state championship crown.

With all the activities pursued by the club during the year, it was necessary to establish committees for the important tasks. These committees and their chairman were the following: shakers—Janice Grayson and Janice Williams; signs—Betty Kristek, Elaine Piasecki, and Barbara Perunko; homecoming—Edith Mehok; transportation—Donna Fennell; pins, finance, and membership—Donna Coopae and Mary Ward; and assemblies—Pat Pustek, Monica Shebish, Carol Burman, and Gayle Pustek.

Two sets of officers were chosen to lead the group with each set serving for one semester. The first semester officers were president, Mary Haviley; vice-president, Mary Ann Torzewski; secretary, Janice Grayson; and treasurer, Mary Ward.

During the second semester two males broke the girls' monopoly on the offices. While Judy Fortner and Pat Pustek served as president and vice-president, Bob Bercik and Ed Fritz held down the secretary and treasurer positions.



Pictured above—Bootsie Haviley and Mr. Norman Hall, sponsor, look at signs painted by Booster Club members for the upcoming game.



Marianne Murga, Selma Roman, Nick Plesha, Elaine Piasecki, Pat Novosel and Edith Mehok are busy with the work to be done in preparation for the Roosevelt football game.

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A teacher is human and has his faults and misgivings the same as the student. He may seem cross and unreasonable in some of the actions he takes; but he doesn't always mean everything he says or does.

When someone becomes a teacher, he is devoting his life to a younger generation in the hope that it will grow up strong in body, mind, and character. He deserves all the respect and co-operation that we, the students, can give.

We at Whiting High are especially fortunate in possessing a sufficient number of competent teachers on the faculty. When we leave school, we shall be grateful for the understanding, guidance, and occasional discipline given us by those who helped shape our lives through education.

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Administration

Someone has said, "The most precious possession of a nation is the mindstuff of its people." Young people of the class of 1955, you will be contributing in the years ahead your part toward the making of that most precious possession of our nation, its mindstuff. May you be a worthy portion. Many of nature's secrets await discovery. Many of man's precepts are to be preserved—ideals—the dignity of man in a free world under God.

The challenge is yours; the responsibility is yours; the next fifty years are yours, we hope. This is going to be a wonderfully interesting age.

Good luck God bless you.

Emmitt L. Riordan
Superintendent

For four years, Whiting High School has profited from the activities of the class of 1955—from those who have furnished able leadership and from you who have been willing followers. Thus, it is with pride that each of you can view these past four years—pride in what you have gained from your high school education and pride in what Whiting has gained from your presence.

It is important to remember that settling back into comfortable satisfaction after the success of this undertaking will stop your growth now at its most important time. You must see in your accomplishment a challenge to your increased strength and newly acquired skills. The record of each duty you have undertaken is the power to fulfill another. The record of your high school education is the power which is now yours—the power to attack any problem more successfully, power to face any emergency more efficiently, and power to serve more effectively wherever you may go.

G. B. Gorman
Principal

As a class you have run through the entire gamut of economic and political ills which can beset mankind. You were born in the midst of a depression. You entered school at a time when the war clouds hung low over the American people and our survival felt precarious. Before you left the grade school the mantle of the leadership of the democratic world was thrust upon our shoulders. You entered high school at the beginning of the most prosperous era in the history of the United States.

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What role are you going to play in the world of tomorrow? Are you going to make what you wish of it? Don't let anyone tell you it is going to be easy. It will be very hard work. We, your teachers, have great faith in you. We know your capabilities. We know you can do this job. We know America will not fail.

We wish you Godspeed and that you will attain the worthy things you desire.

J. Madison
Assistant Principal

Board of Education



Pictured from left to right—Mr. Paul Dobbertin, treasurer; Mrs. May Nyland, secretary; Mr. Barney Lopacki, president.

Office Staff



Pictured at left—Mrs. Hazel Moore, business manager;
Mrs. Willanna Kaine, board of education office.



Pictured at right—Mrs. Helen Quinn, junior high office;
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